

Dodd Suit Hit

As 'Tedious'

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Attorneys for columnists Drew Pearson and Jack Anderson yesterday attacked Sen. Thomas J. Dodd's multimillion-dollar libel suit against them as "long, tedious, repetitious, unjustified and boring."

Dodd "apparently believes in litigation by tonnage," said attorneys John Donovan and Warren Woods in a motion to dismiss both the Connecticut Senator's original \$5-million suit filed May 6 and a shorter, amended suit filed Wednesday for \$2 million.

The lengthy complaints — one of them measuring 28 pages plus 15 exhibits—violate Federal rules of civil procedure by failing to show "a short and plain statement of the claim," the columnists' attorneys contend.

Dodd sued the writers for a series of columns charging him with official misconduct.